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Title: METHOD FOR OPERATING A BOILER OF A DEVICE SUCH AS A COFFEE  
MAKER

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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS  
UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE DO/EO/US**

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements dated 05/16/2007, Applicant draws the Office's attention to the Declaration filed with the captioned application on September 27, 2006. Applicant notes the International Application Number and International Filing Date are present on the Declaration submitted at the time of filing, September 27, 2006. The Applicant is enclosing (for the Office's convenience) a copy of the Declaration as received by the Office on September 27, 2006 as well as a computer print out of the Image File Wrapper showing receipt by the Office of the Declaration on September 27, 2006.

Applicant believes that the concerns raised by the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the DO/EO/US have been addressed. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that a patent issue without further delay.

The Commissioner is hereby requested and authorized pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a)(3), to treat any concurrent or future reply in this application requiring a petition for extension of time for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time.

Date: October 31, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO at (571) 273-8300, on the date indicated below.

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